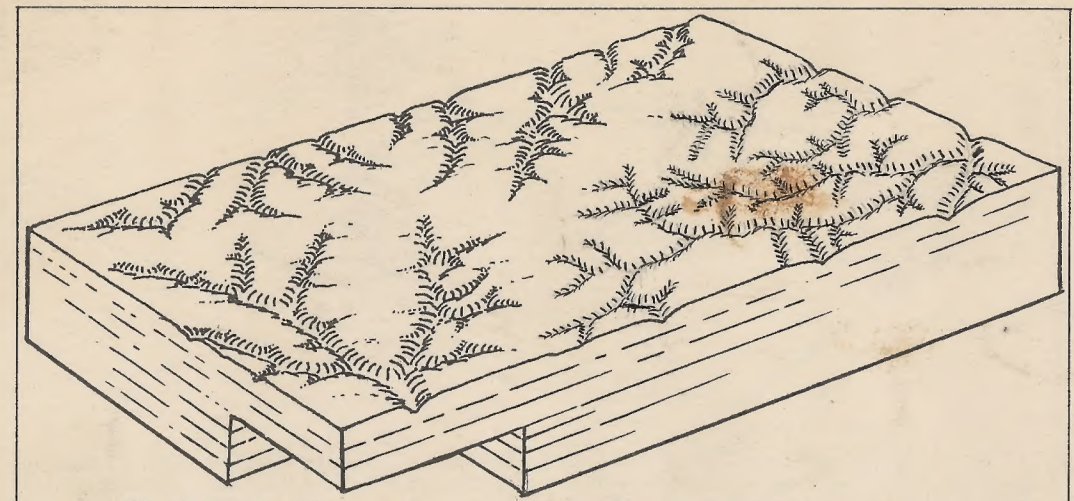


CONSTRUCTIONAL FORMS



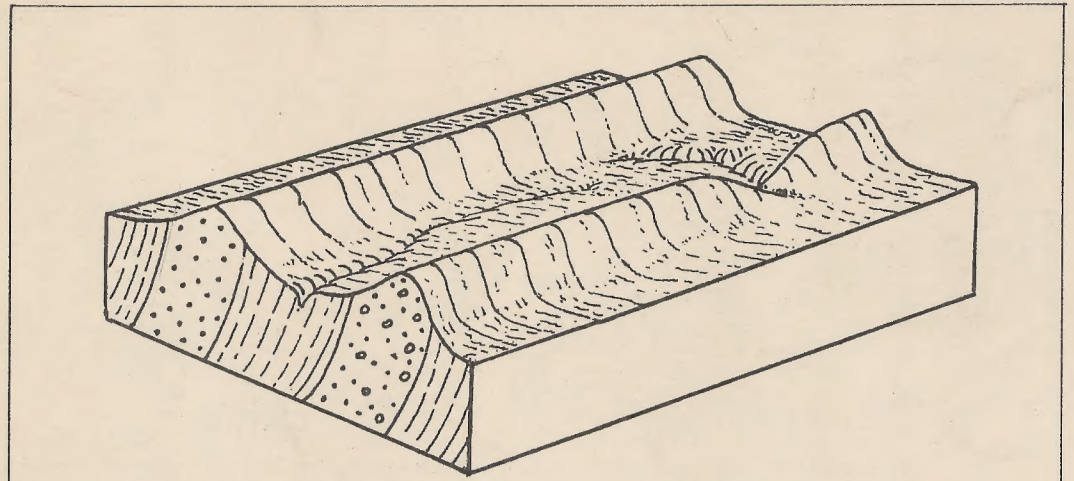
1. PLAIN. U. S. This map represents a region underlain by horizontal rocks. It is a plain. The streams have cut down below the surface of the plain about 200 feet. Much of the plain is still undissected. It is therefore not yet a mature plain. It is, however, well past the youthful condition, and may be called sub-mature. Attach a piece of cross section paper to the bottom edge of the map and draw a "projected profile" or skyline of this entire area, by projecting always the highest point on the map as seen from the south. Use a vertical scale of 1/20 inch=100 feet. How great is the vertical exaggeration? Ans. 20 times. In which direction, if any, does the plain appear to slope? What is the gradient of the streams on this map in feet per mile in the headwaters? In their lower courses? Complete the above diagram, without too much regard for the exact position and number of the streams. Subdivide the graphic scale to read thousands of feet. Do this by construction, not by mathematical calculation.

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Single track Railroad
Fourth Class Road, not always passable
Strada campestre; Country Road
Strada mulattiera; Mule track
Tratturo; Wide road beaten by herds

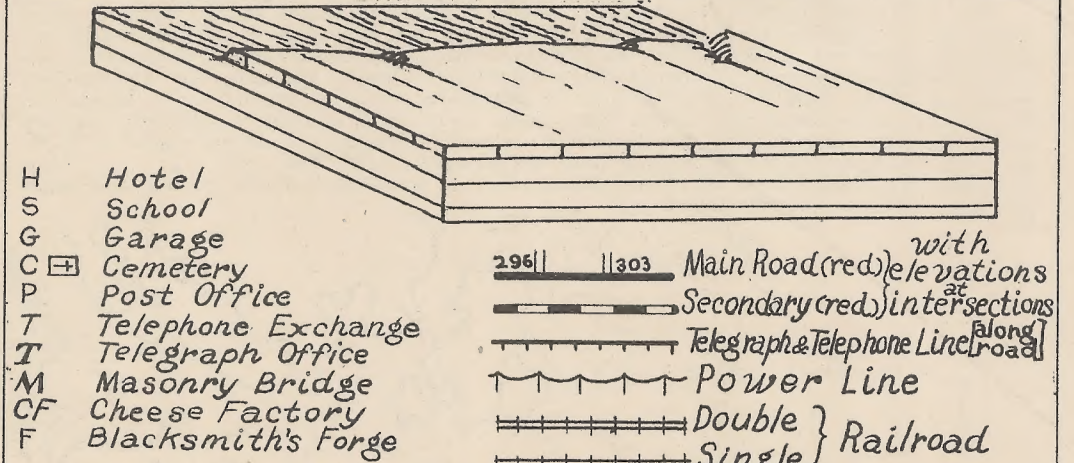
2. PLAIN. ITALY. This is a portion of the narrow coastal plain of eastern Italy. The topography is represented by both hachures and contours. A bit of the rugged oldland of complex rocks appears in the northwest corner, but the rest of the area is mostly unconsolidated sand and clay. The plain slopes seaward toward the southeast from an elevation of 107 meters in the northwest corner of the area. How much is this slope in feet per mile? In degrees? Attach a strip of cross-section paper over this map and draw a profile from the northwest corner to the southeast corner, using a vertical scale of 1/20 inch=50M. Compare this profile with that of the projected profile of the U. S. plain, above. What are the vertical exaggerations in each case? Most of the roads and fields, as well as the minor ridges lie either parallel to or at right angles to the coast. There are some closely-spaced beach ridges near the center of the map, several being partly encircled by a contour line. What is the elevation of this contour? Two streams have incised themselves 25M, or 75 feet below the level of the plain, which is otherwise undissected, and is therefore a young plain. The black line along the coast is a railroad which runs between a strip of low sand dunes and the water's edge. The original of this map is printed in black although some editions of this series employ several colors. Note the various types of vegetation, shown by symbols, such as orchards, grasslands, marshes, and woods. The meaning of several Italian words appearing on this map is as follows: Lago Lungo means Lake Lungo; Bosco il Pineto means The Pine Woods; Casa della Principessa means Casino etc.; C. Cicciarella means Casa or house (prob. farmhouse) of Cicciarella; B. il Cipolluzzo means Bosco or woods of; M. a Trattarette means Masseria or farm of; P. te del Re means Ponte or bridge del Re; F. Lato means Fiume or River Lato; R. il Dieci means Regione or district of Dieci.

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5. TILTED BEDS. U. S. In this region the beds stand vertically. There are two very resistant sandstone formations separated by a much thicker formation of shale which is less resistant to erosion than sandstone. Prepare a N. S. profile almost anywhere through this map, attaching a strip of cross-section paper to the map. Use a vertical scale of 1/20 inch=100 feet, which gives a vertical exaggeration of (?) times. On your profile draw a geological section, similar to that on the diagram above, to show that at depth the beds dip toward the north and that therefore the beds in the southern part of the map are older than those in the northern part. This map illustrates very distinctly what is meant by strike. The strike of a formation is the direction in which its outcrop trends across the country. In this case the strike is said to be East-West. Subdivide the graphic scale below into miles and quarter miles, by construction.

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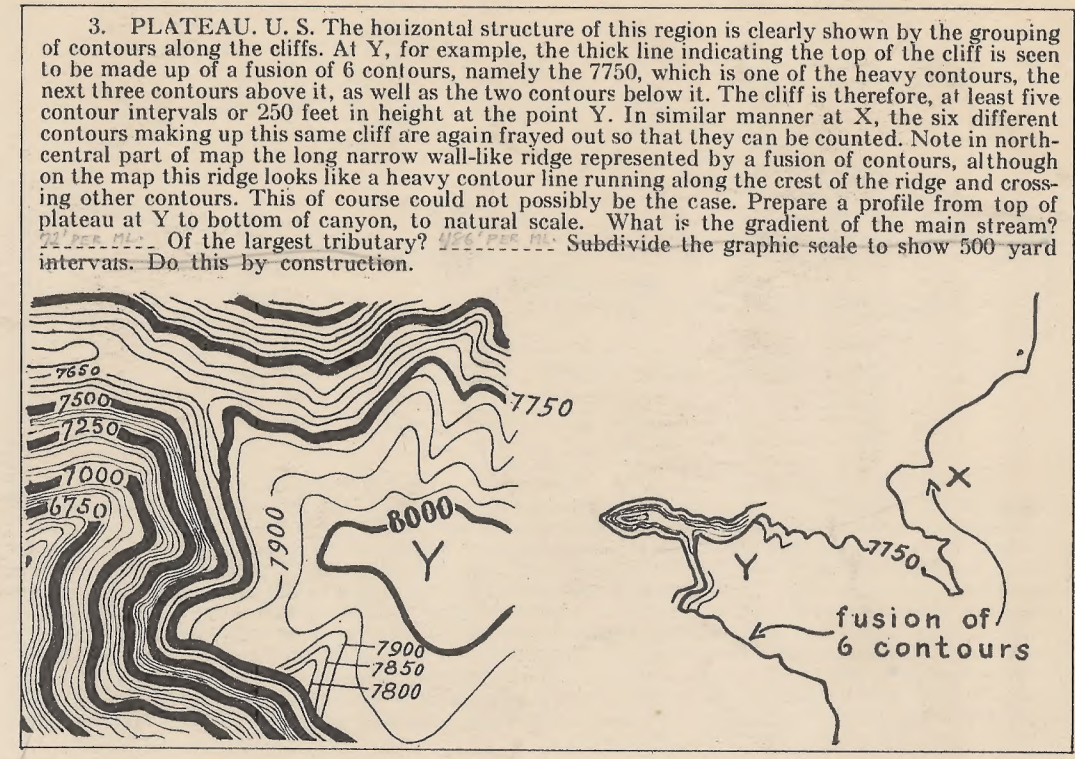


6. TILTED BEDS. CANADA. In this area the formations are dipping very gently toward the south. The escarpment shown here is a cuesta of an ancient coastal plain. It is called the Niagara cuesta, and is the scarp over which the Niagara River drops in its famous falls. Two of the electric power transmission lines cross the map. Several letters are used to designate special cultural objects such as schools, telegraph offices, etc., as indicated above. Similar symbols are used on the British Ordnance maps. In the original this map is printed in several colors, much like the sheets of the U. S. Geological Survey. Note that elevations are indicated along the electric railways at almost every road intersection. Note that the roads are spaced at 1/2-mile intervals, in a fairly regular checker-board pattern, in conformance with the land office survey used in Canada and the United States. They angle up the escarpment, however. Express the scale of this map in inches per mile and subdivide the graphic scale accordingly. Also draw a N-S profile using 1/20 inch=25 feet. This causes a vertical exaggeration of (?) times.

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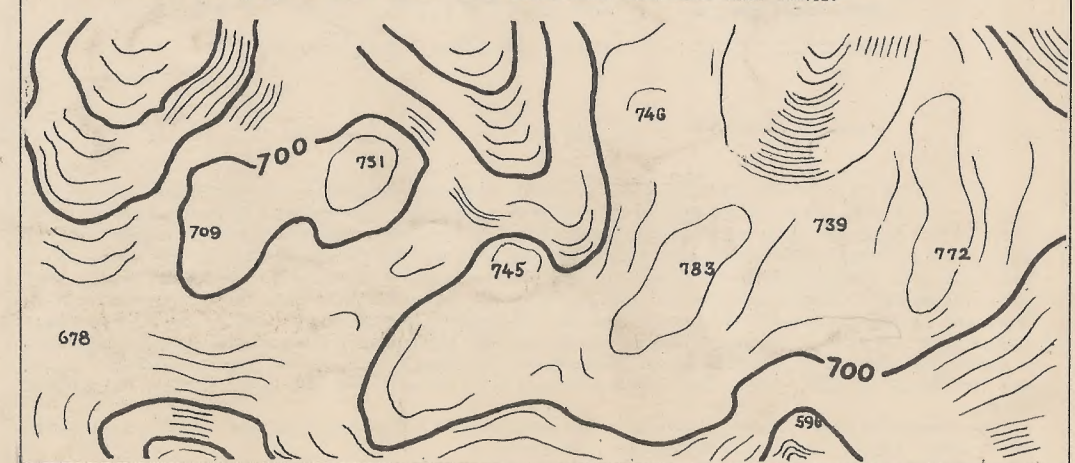
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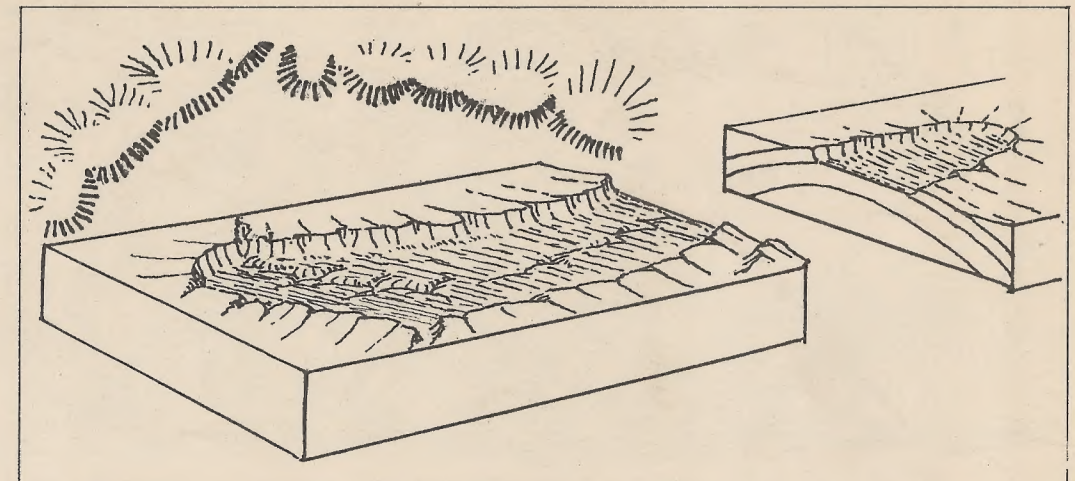


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4. PLATEAU. ICELAND. The region shown on this map is a plateau made up of many horizontal lava flows. The various flows produce scarps on the valley walls which conform closely with the contour lines. On your map go over the 100-meter contours wherever they are not obscured by hachures, as suggested below for the southern part of the area. The several spot elevations will assist you in doing this. The northern margin of this plateau has been strongly modified by local glaciers which have produced several large cirques that hang above the main valley, which is now a fjord. A part of it shows in the northeast corner of the map. Attach a piece of cross-section paper to your map and draw a longitudinal profile along the center of the easternmost of the hanging valleys, called "Baejarhvit", using a vertical scale of 1/10 inch=100 meters. What is the vertical exaggeration? Is the transverse profile of these valleys conical or conical? U-shaped or V-shaped? Subdivide the graphic scale below into kilometers and also into miles.

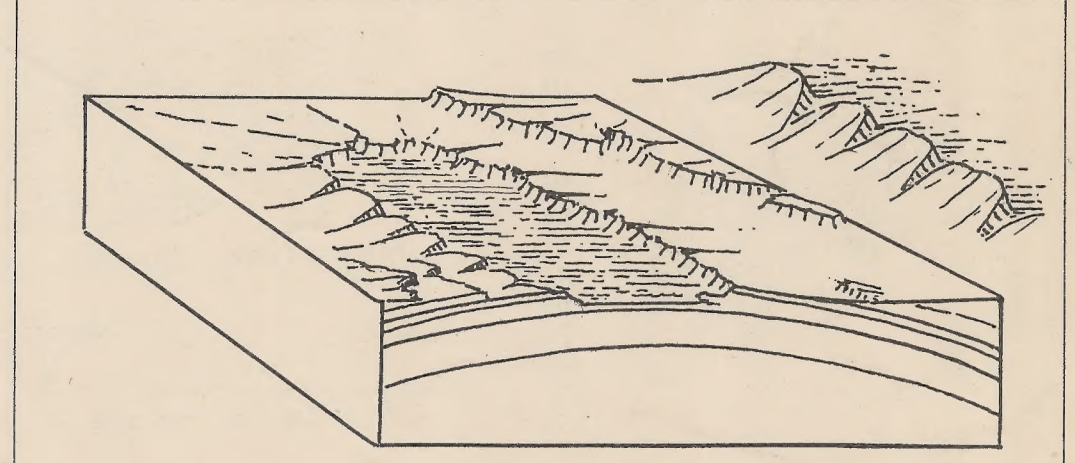


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7. DOME. U. S. The dome appearing on this map is a relatively small example of a dome structure. The center of the dome has been worn away, thus exposing the weaker underlying beds which have been further eroded to form a basin. This is therefore a structural dome but a topographic basin. On the map there is one great hogback encircling the dome and a suggestion of another hogback in the southeastern corner of the area. Note that the hogback in most places presents a steep scarp inward toward the center of the dome and a gentler slope toward the outside, down the dip of the beds. What is the average height (not elevation) of the scarp? Attach a piece of tracing paper over your map and prepare a simple hachure map after the manner of the small portion shown above, for the northwest corner. Subdivide the graphic scale below into thousands of yards. This may be done by construction without any mathematical computation.

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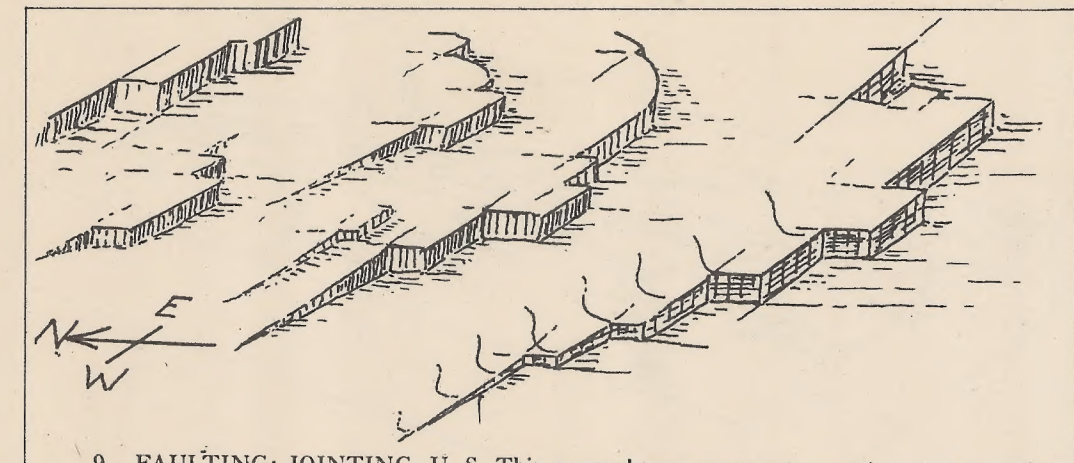
8. DOME. MOROCCO. The topography of this map is represented merely by form lines. There are not even any spot elevations. It is obviously only a reconnaissance map. The small scale indicates that the representation of details is not attempted. This structural dome, like that from the United States, shown above, has been eroded to form a topographic basin. Complete the drawing above to illustrate the essential features of the region. A part of a second outer encircling hogback appears at the northeast and southwest corners of the map. The expression "Hammda tres ravine" means "a much dissected stony upland or desert". Subdivide the graphic scale below into miles, and also into kilometers.

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NOTE: The explanations on this sheet are arranged in the same way as the respective maps are on the accompanying sheet. Answers to all questions and problems are to be placed on this sheet

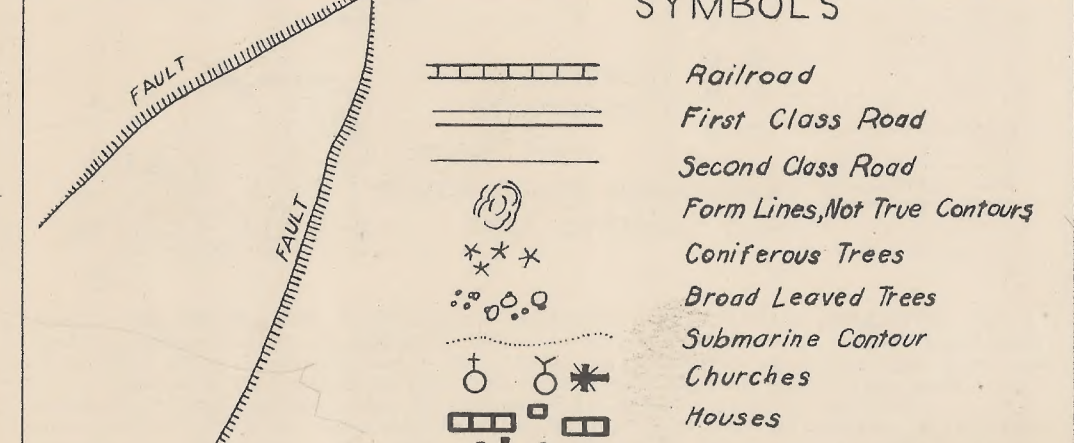
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS

SHOWING



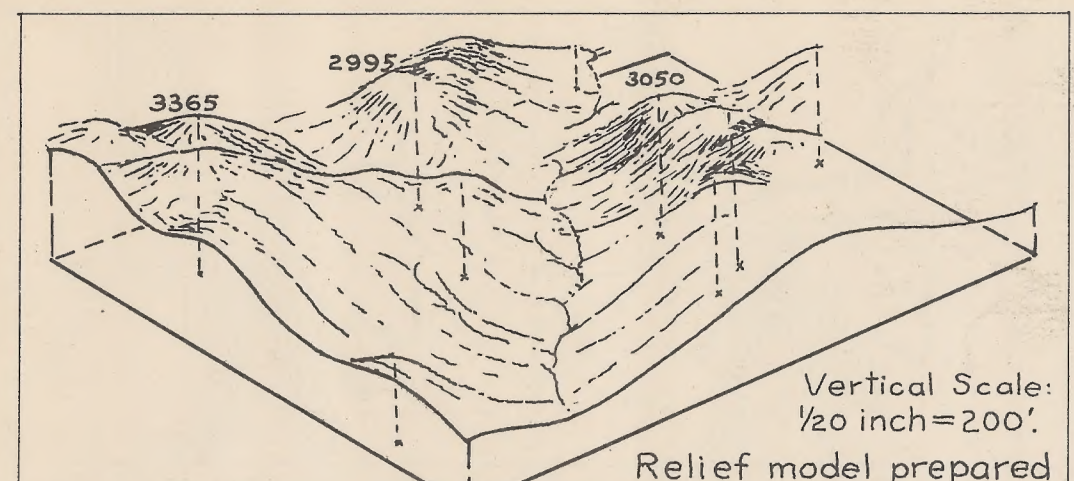
9. FAULTING; JOINTING. U. S. This unusual map represents a region of sedimentary formations which have been broken up by two sets of joints running at right angles to each other, the most prominent set being in an east-west direction. The beds dip mainly toward the north but here is at the same time a slight westerly component, which means that the conspicuous E. W. scarps, which mostly face toward the south, become lower and lower toward the west. This north-westerly dip of the beds, then, combined with North-South and East-West joints results in two sets of scarps, one running east and west and facing the south; the other running north and south and facing the east. The student of topographic maps may well give this map unusual attention. Every little bend in every contour must come at just the right place and must line up with the bends in the contours on either side of it. Paste a piece of cross-section paper to the map and draw a N-S profile entirely across the central part of the map, using a vertical scale of 1/20 inch=40 feet. On this profile show the 5 or 6 layers of hard rock dipping toward the north, which produce southward-facing scarps. Subdivide the graphic scale into thousands of feet.

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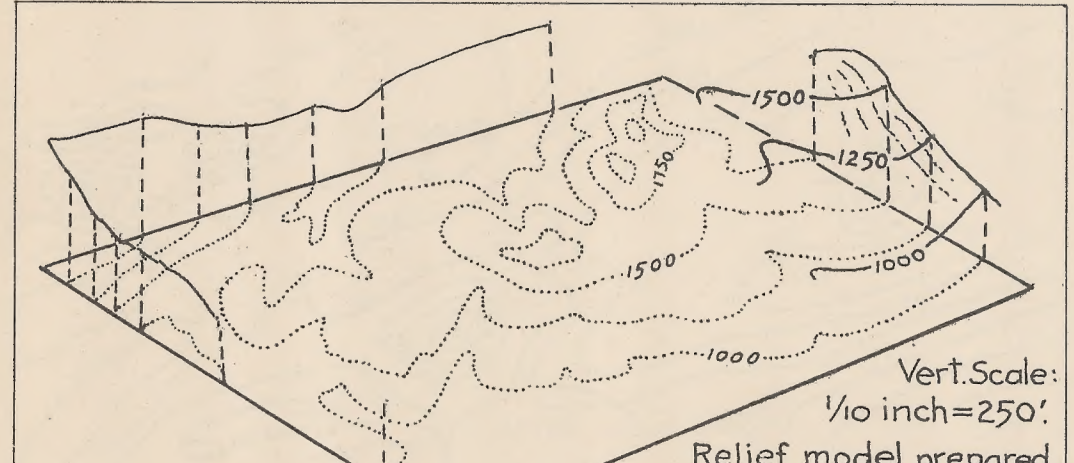
10. FAULTING; JOINTING. SWEDEN. This map, representing part of the great lakes region in southern Sweden, shows several straight steep scarps produced by erosion along lines of faulting. On your map indicate position of at least 5 faults by heavy red lines. The topography is represented by hachures as well as by form lines which are designed to show the approximate shape of many of the smaller knobs and glacial hills. Because of glaciation there are many lakes in this region, which on the original are printed in blue, while the topographic forms are depicted by both hachures and form lines in black. What is the approximate height of these scarps? The depths along the coast are shown in meters and the 10-meter depth contour is shown by a dotted line. Note that much of the region is forested, especially the hill tops and that coniferous trees seem to predominate. Subdivide the graphic scale below into both miles and kilometers to conform with the fractional scale of 1 : 100,000 (Note. 1 inch=2 1/2 cm.). This should be done graphically by similar triangle method, and not by mathematical calculation.

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13. COMPLEX MTNS. U. S. The full-bodied forms of the mountains in this area, which are arranged in no special manner, indicate that this is a region of complex rocks, possibly granite, gneiss, or schist, but certainly not sedimentary beds. The relief of the region is great and all of the streams have very steep gradients. This map lends itself readily to the drawing of a relief model as shown above. Because of the small area it is not necessary to change the vertical scale in different parts of the drawing in order to meet the requirements of perspective. Extend the profiles around the block, add some additional spot elevations and complete the drawing. On the map, determine the areas invisible from hill 2995. Subdivide graphic scale into miles.

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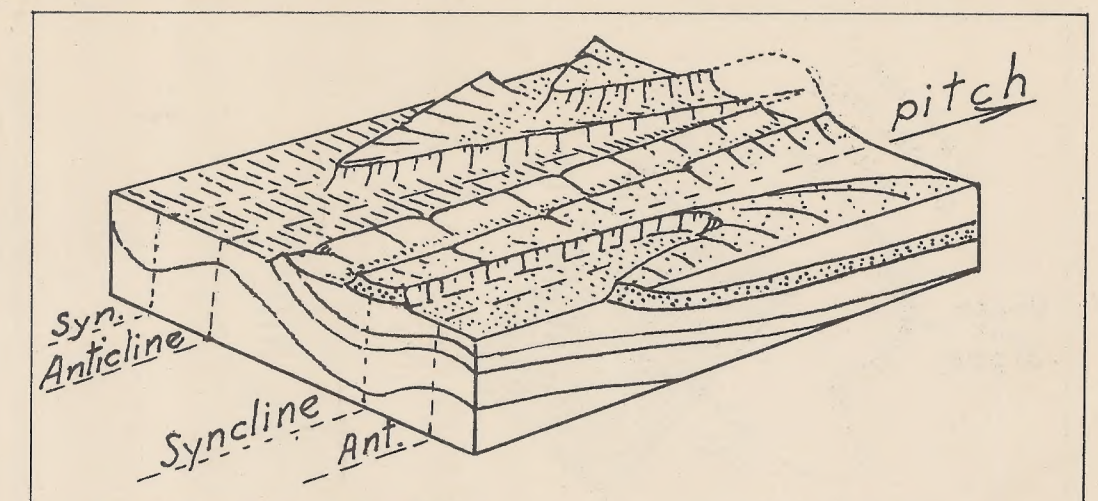


14. COMPLEX MTNS. BRITAIN. This map, originally printed with brown hachures and red contours, represents a type of topography much like that on the map just above. As reproduced here the numbers on the contours are hard to read. Below 1000 feet they are spaced at 100-foot intervals. Above 1000 feet the interval is 250 feet. With this help, number all of the contours conspicuously. What is the total relief in this area, i.e. the difference in elevation between the lowest and the highest points? Using the above block prepare a relief drawing like that shown for the previous map. The vertical scale is to be 1/10 inch=250 feet. Try to show as much detail as possible. Subdivide graphic scale to show miles and eighths of miles.

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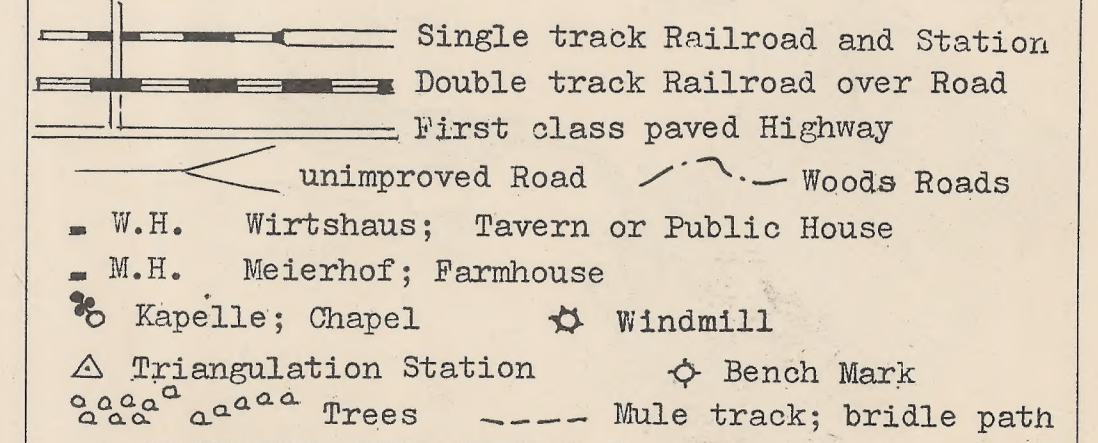
and on the map sheet. No other paper is necessary except small pieces of cross-section paper to be attached to some of the maps. The U.S.G.S. maps on accompanying sheet are reproduced by permission of War Department and U. S. Geological Survey.

REPRESENTATIVE EXAMPLES



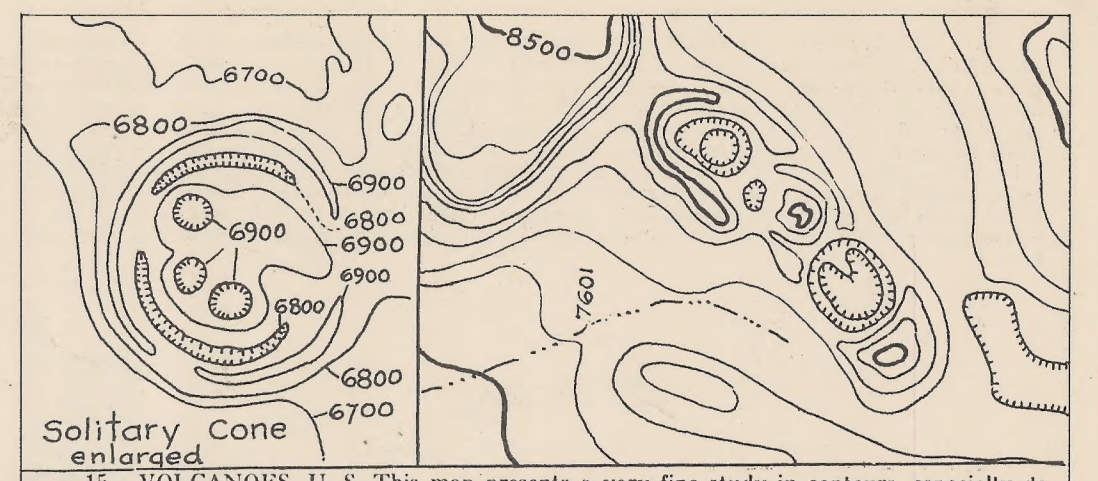
11. FOLDED BEDS. U. S. This map represents a typical portion of the Folded Appalachians. Two resistant ridge-making formations with intermediate weaker beds have been bent into symmetrical open folds all of which pitch to the northeast. The erosion of these structures has resulted in the characteristic zig-zag pattern of features. Most of the ridges are steeper on one side than on the other, the gentle slope being down the dip of the beds. The contrast between the abrupt nose of the syncline and the long tapering nose of the anticline is noteworthy. Draw on the map the axes of the two anticlines and two synclines. Put a large arrow on each axis to show direction of pitch. Also place a number of small arrows on the map to show dip of beds. Attach a strip of cross-section paper to the map so as to show a profile drawn in a northwest-southeast direction across all the ridges, using a vertical scale of 1/20 inch=20 feet. (ie. vert. exag. = 13.2) Subdivide graphic scale into thousands of feet, by construction.

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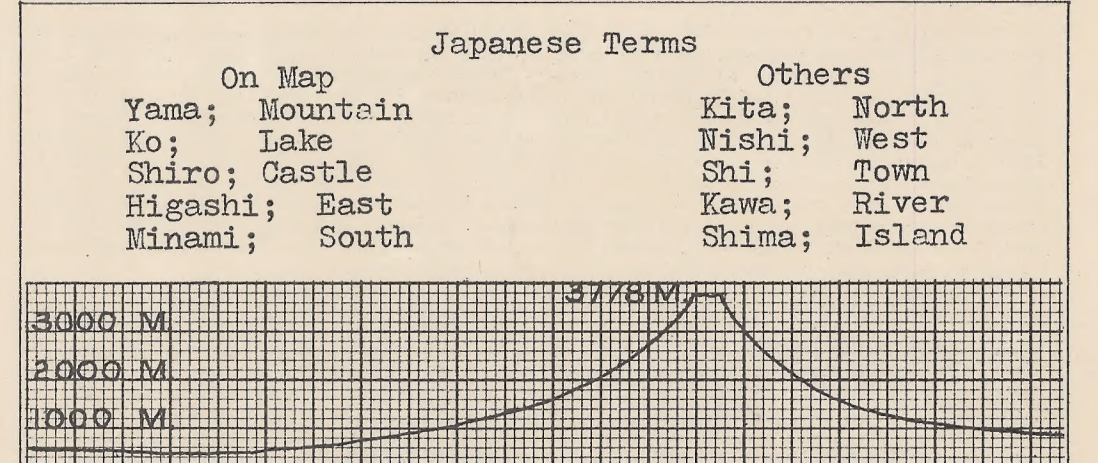
12. FOLDED BEDS. AUSTRIA-HUNGARY. This reproduction is from the map of the old Austro-Hungarian Empire, which covers a large part of central Europe and is still the best map of that area. The part represented here lies in the folded Carpathians and shows typical ridge and valley topography. The exact structure can not be so readily interpreted as on the corresponding U.S.G.S. map. The original of this is printed in black only, and is reproduced here to actual scale. Note that both hachures and contours are used, the contour interval being 100 M. A number of spot elevations are also shown. This map is profuse with detail and a very large variety of symbols is used. A few are shown above. Locate one of each type upon the map. Attach a strip of cross-section paper to the map and draw a N-S profile entirely across the central part of the map, using a vertical scale of 1 inch=100 M. What is the resulting vertical exaggeration? Ans. 12.5 times. How does the height of these ridges compare with the height of the ridges in the Appalachian area above? Subdivide graphic scale into miles and kilometers.

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15. VOLCANOES. U. S. This map presents a very fine study in contours, especially depression contours. Because of the small scale of the map, the contours are not easily read. Therefore several of the cones at the eastern end of the chain of cones are enlarged above. They look insignificant on the map but you will observe that the end one is at least 300 feet high and that the craters in two of them are at least 100 feet deep. The solitary cone at the western end of the chain has several unique features, notably a cone with three craters, all within a much larger crater which it so completely fills as to leave only two crescent-shaped remnants of the large crater. Note hill 9164 in the middle of the chain. Is the faint irregular line on the top of that cone the outline of a lake or is it a contour line? Enlarge this part of the chain and number each crater. Note also the intermittent streams with distributaries and two lakes held in by terminal moraines at the ends of glacial troughs. Subdivide scale below into miles by graphic means. Indicate on map above the diameters in feet of the several cones.

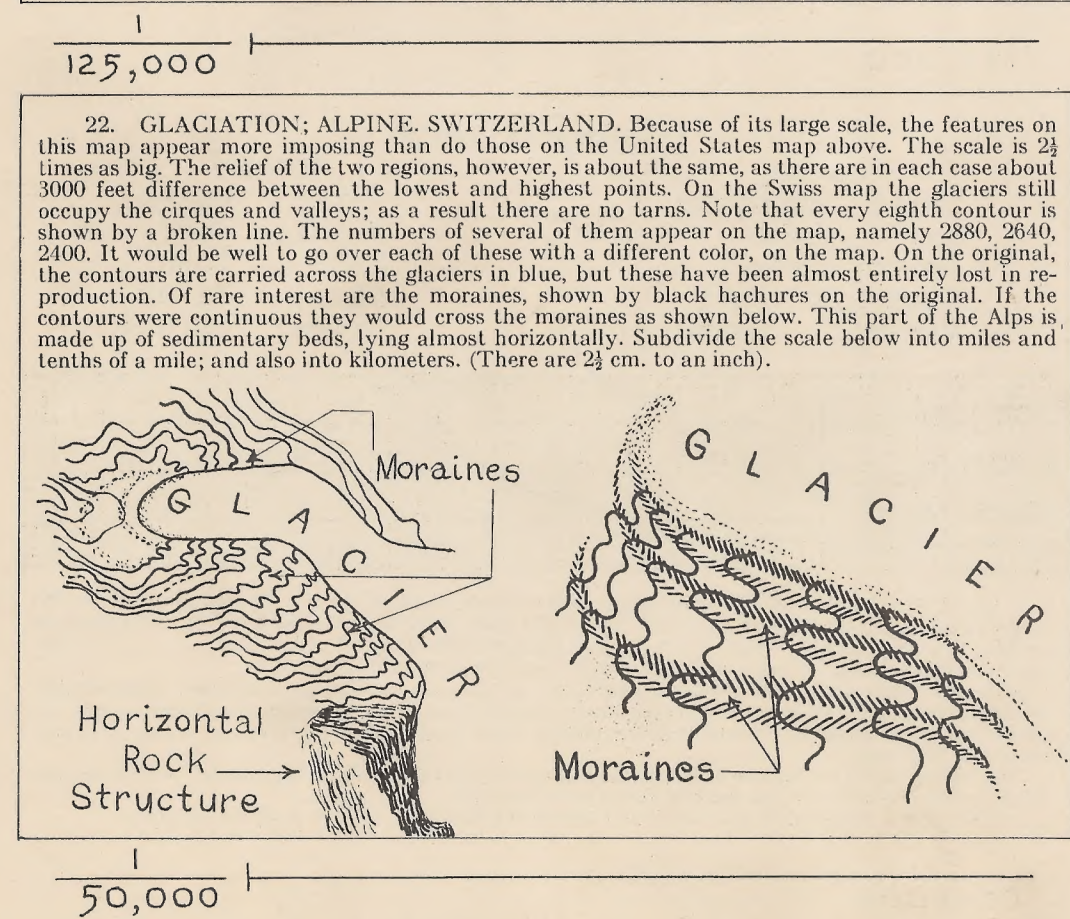
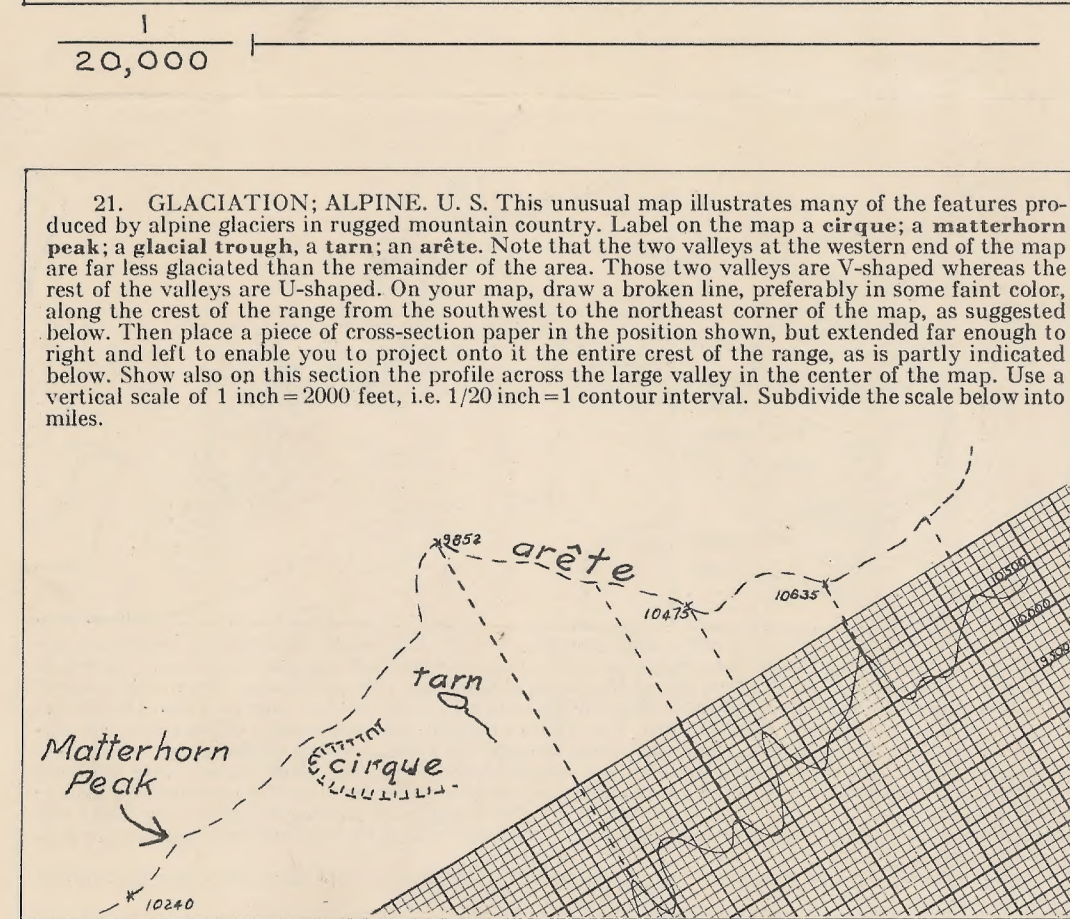
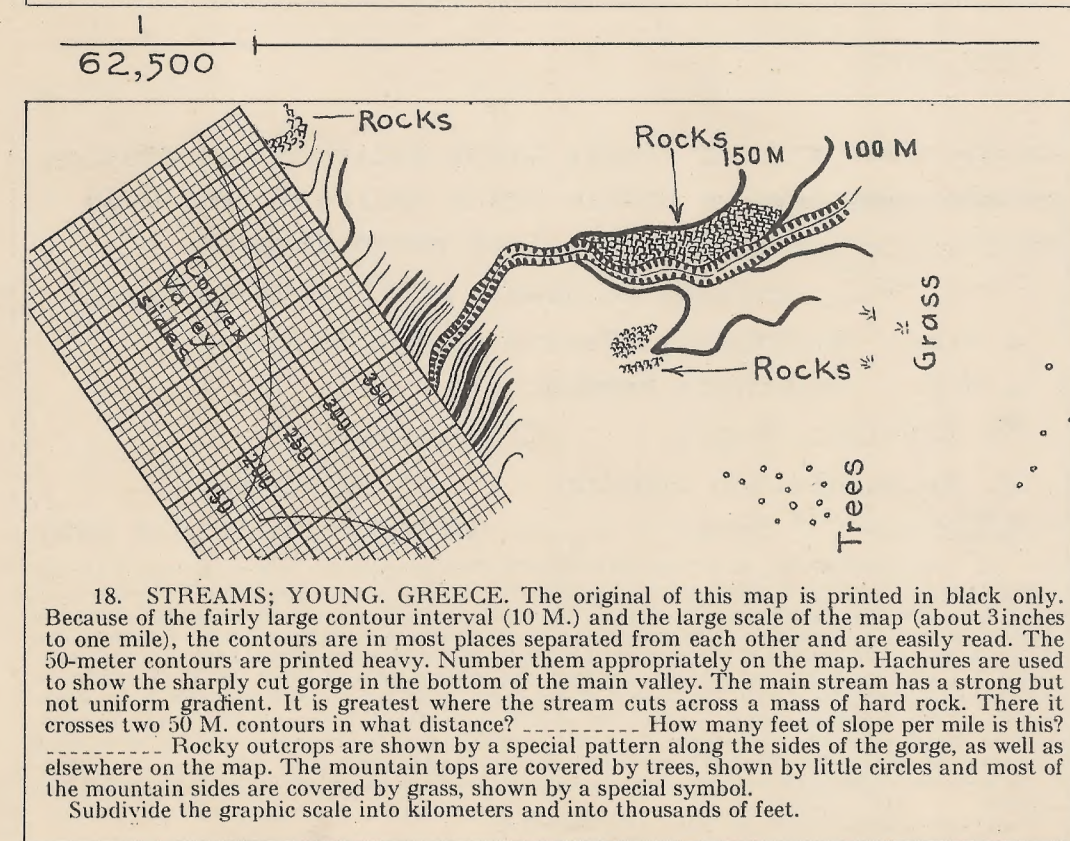
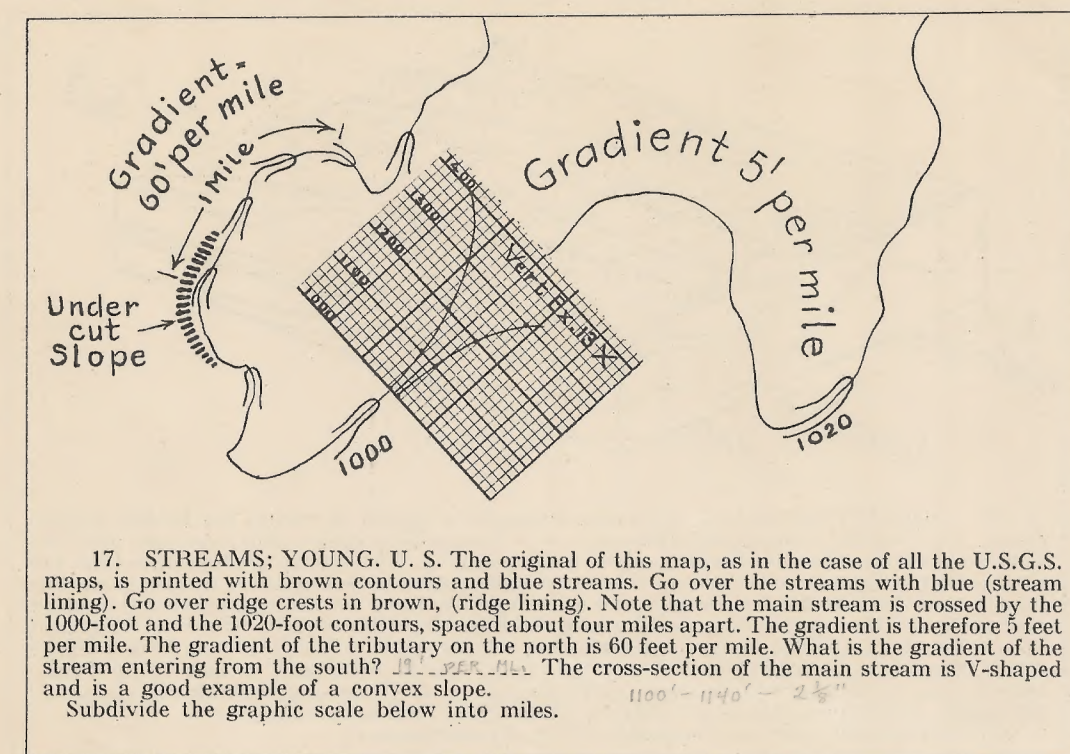
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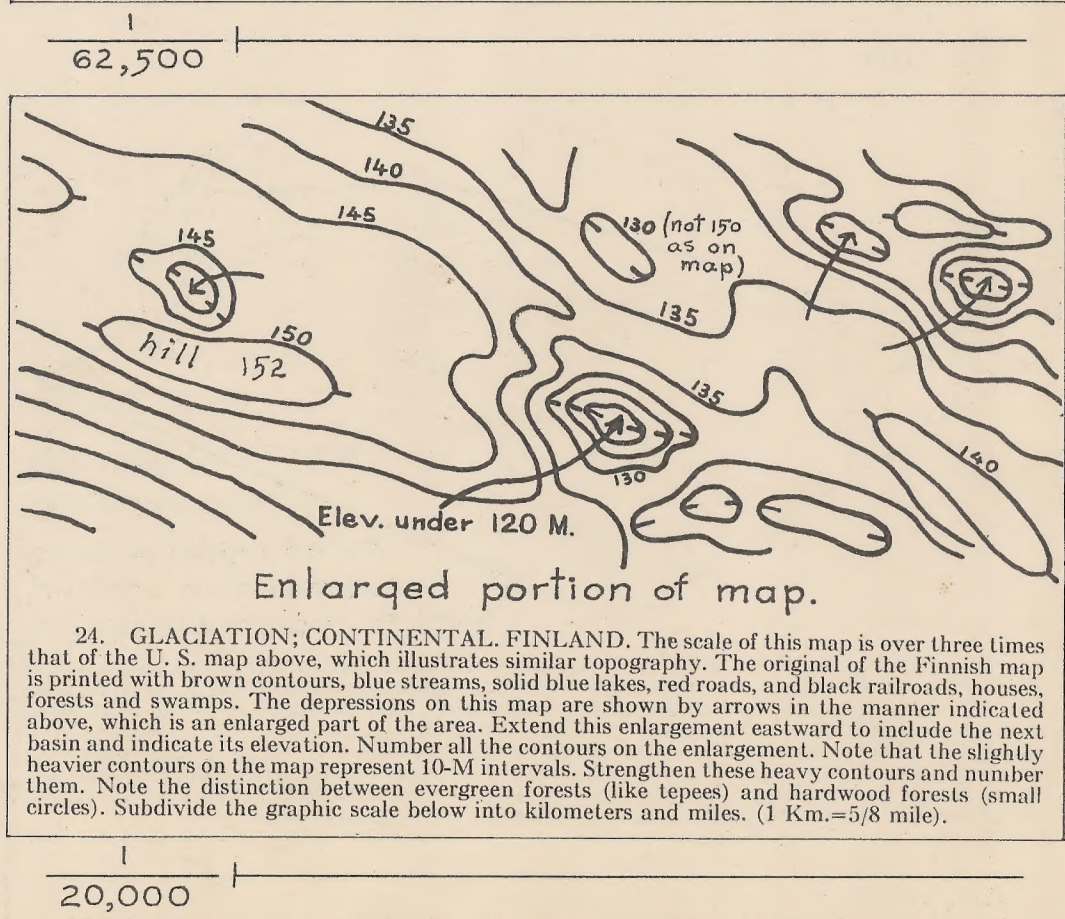
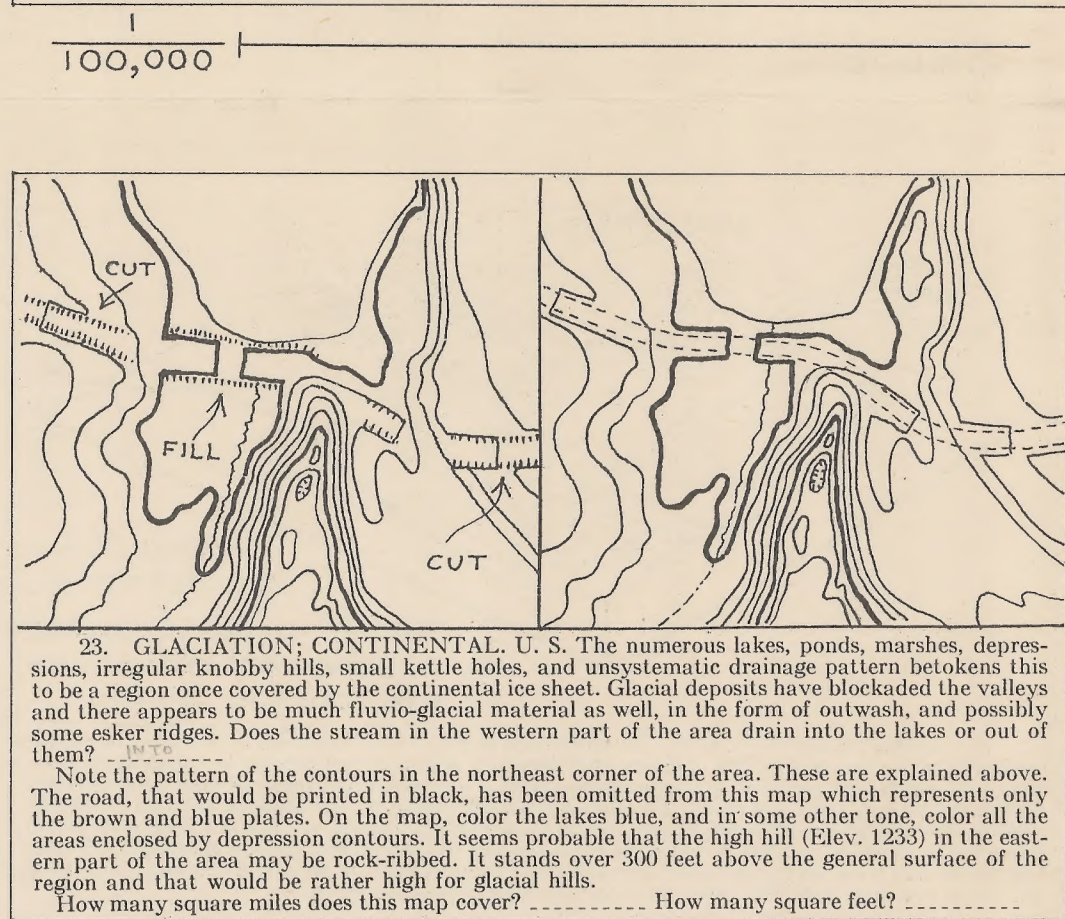
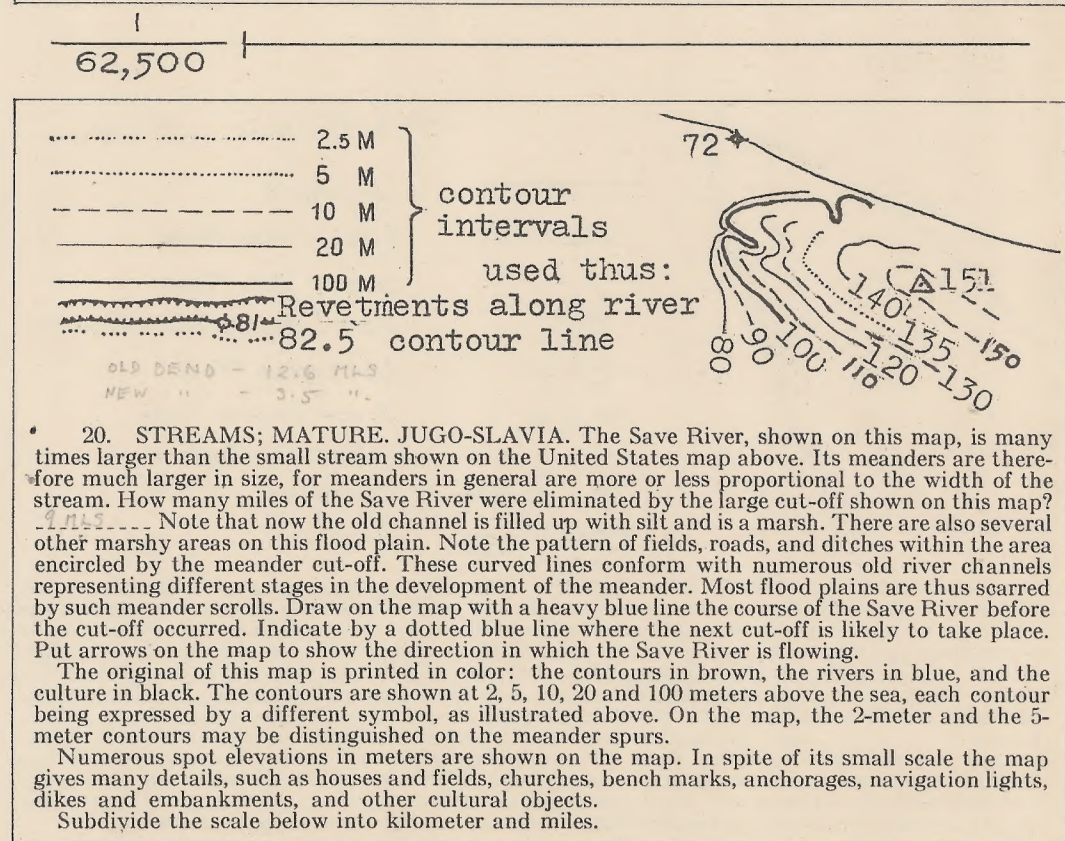
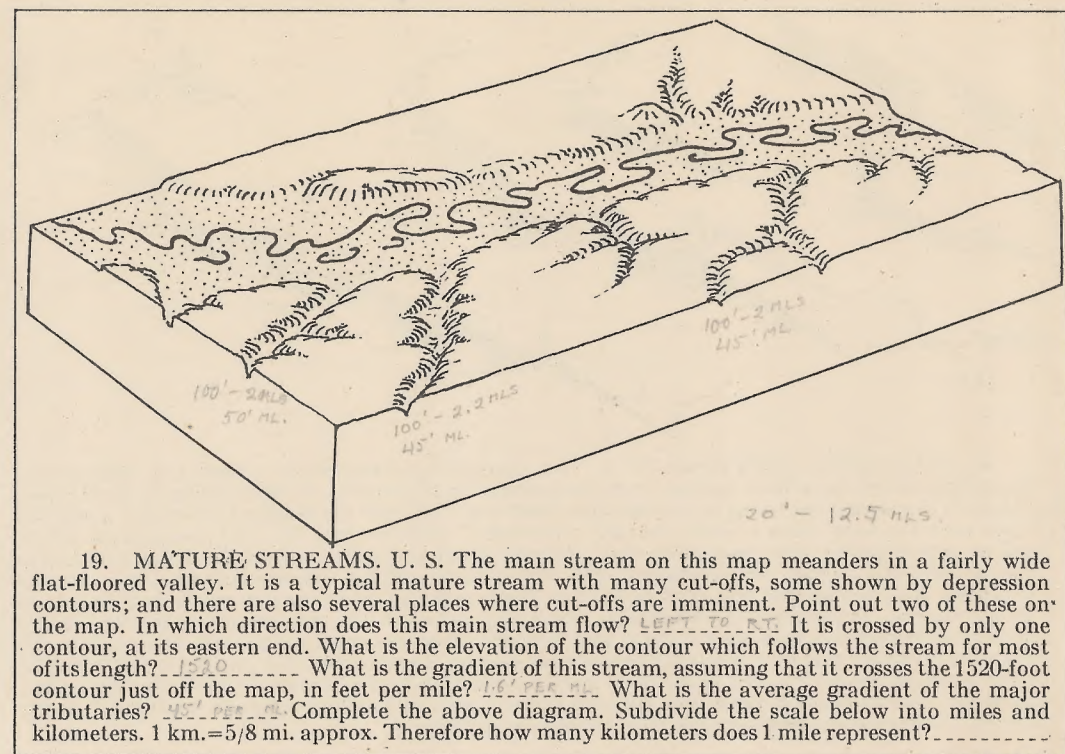
16. VOLCANO. JAPAN. This large volcanic cone is noted for its unusual symmetry. The closer spacing of the contours near the top of the peak than near the base indicates its concave profile, as shown above. What is the vertical exaggeration of this profile? Ans. 40 times. The contours on this map are not numbered, and the contour interval is 40 meters. Although Fujiyama is the dominating feature on this map, there are numerous other smaller volcanic cones, most of them in various stages of dissection. The development of these cones, together with lava flows, has caused the formation of lakes by damming up rivers, as in the northwest corner of the area. The highest point on the rim of Fujiyama is given on the map as 3778 M. A meter is 39.37 inches. What is the elevation of this peak in feet above sea level? Subdivide the scale below into miles and also into kilometers. (1 inch = 2 1/2 cm. approx.).

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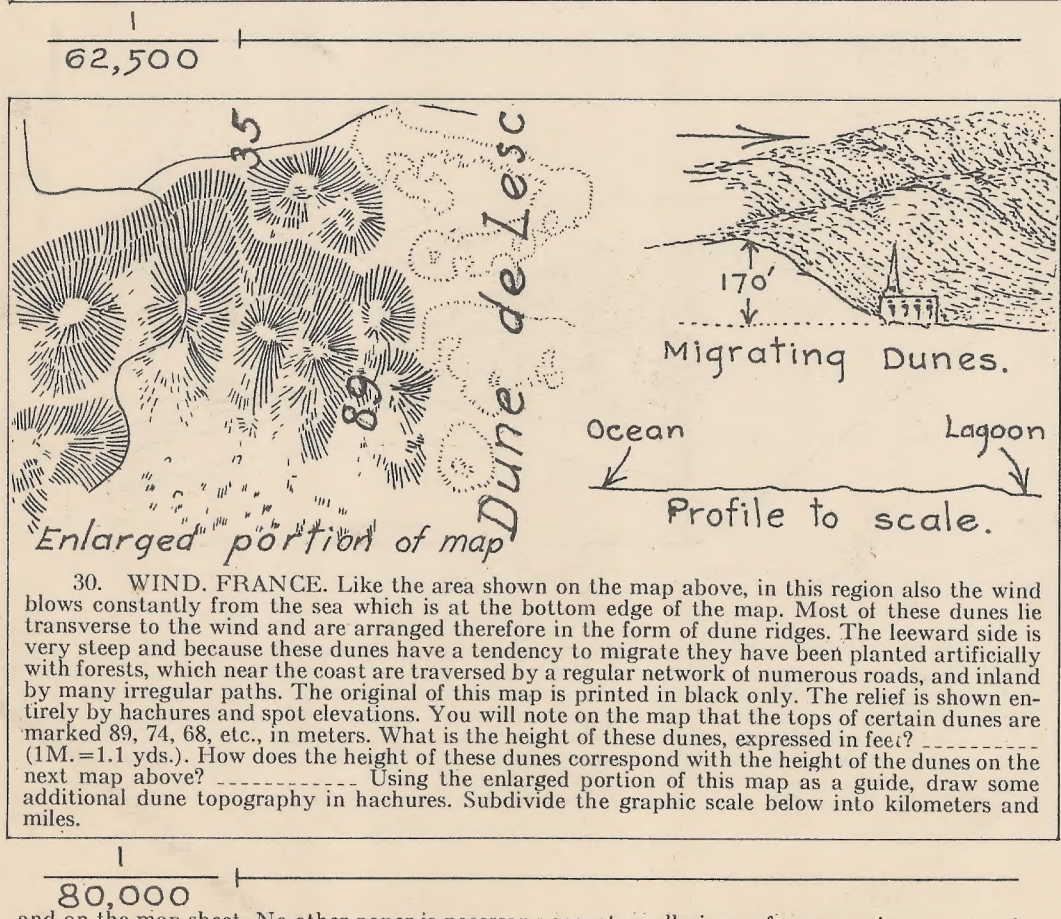
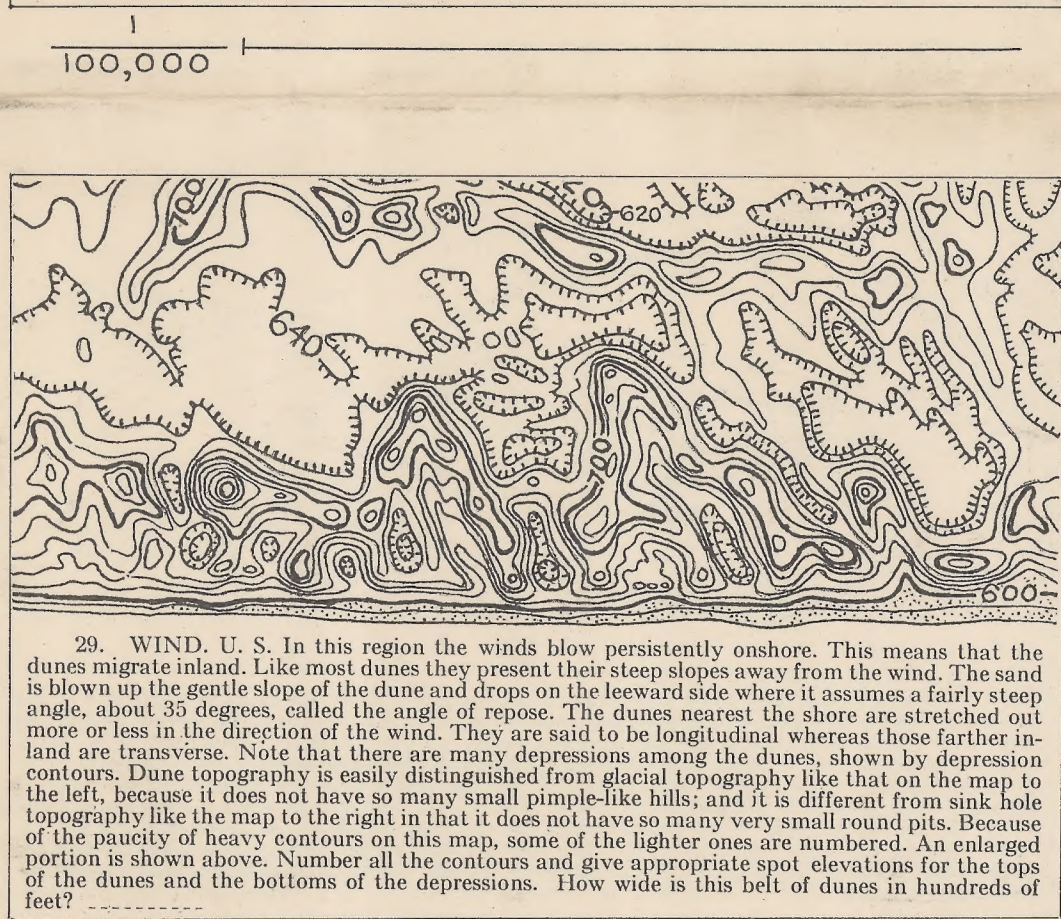
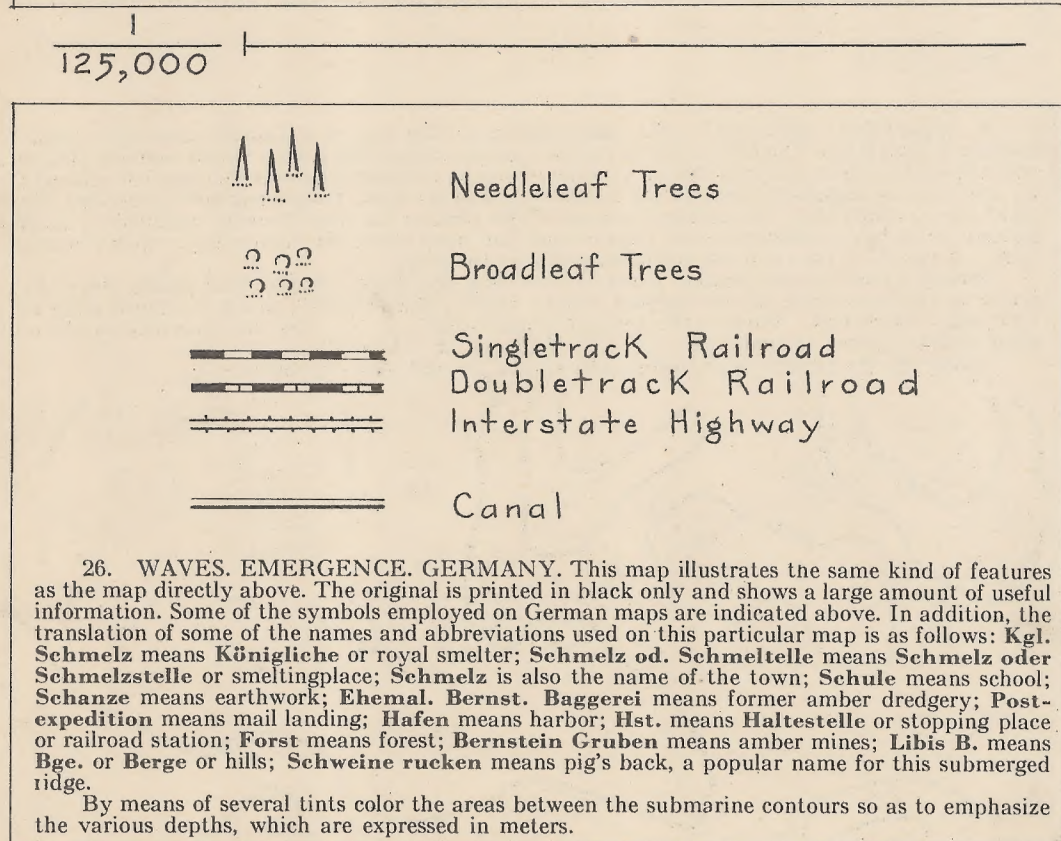
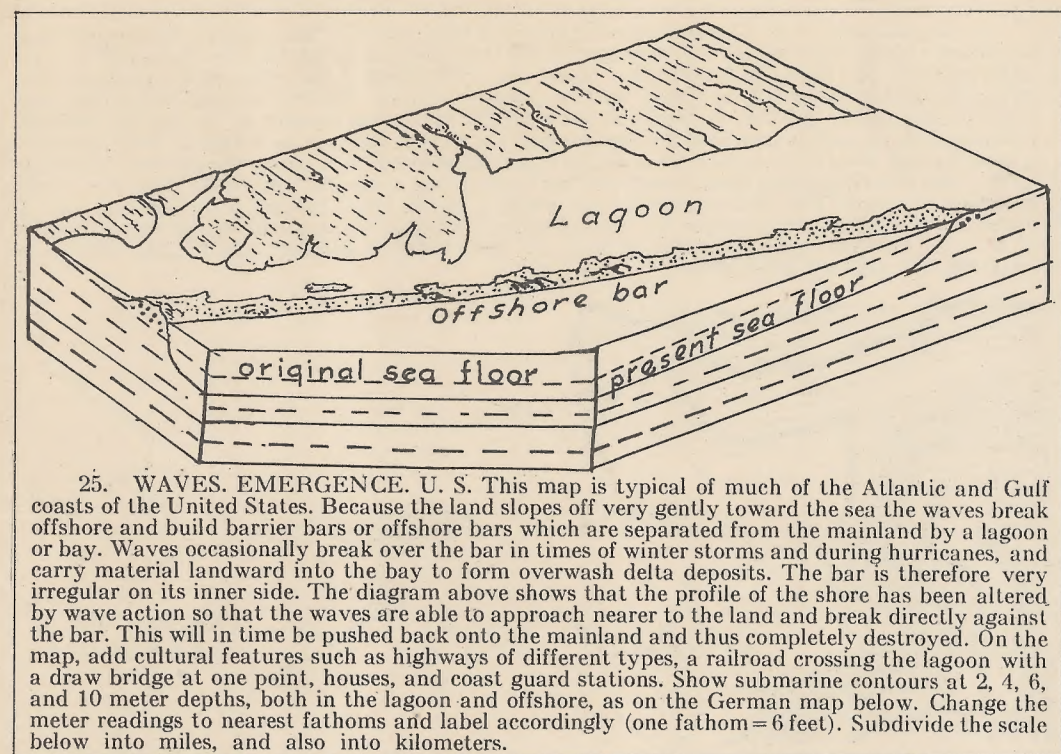
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